

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

HONORING THE LIFE OF 1ST SERGEANT CHRISTOPHER COFFIN

HON. TOM MALINOWSKI

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 29, 2021

Mr. MALINOWSKI. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize 1st Sergeant Christopher Coffin, who tragically lost his life serving his country during Operation Iraq Freedom.

1st Sergeant Chris Coffin was assigned to the 352nd Civil Affairs Battalion when the vehicle he was traveling in was forced off the road by insurgents on July 1, 2003. He died that day protecting a convoy that had travelled from Kuwait to Baghdad.

Sgt. Coffin was born in Branchburg, New Jersey in 1951 and spent most of his childhood there. In 1978, while attending Rider University in Lawrenceville, New Jersey, he met his wife, Betsy. The two of them shared a love for the outdoors, and would frequently travel together to ski the Rocky Mountains.

Chris was also a National Park Ranger, serving at Gettysburg National Military Park, Pennsylvania and at Mount Rainier National Park, Washington. At Mount Rainier, he was a climbing ranger and was responsible for saving the lives of many injured or trapped visitors. He took such pride in the daily raising and lowering of our nation's flag at the Paradise Ranger Station that his friends, even to this day, remember the huge smile beaming on Chris' face as he walked to the flagpole.

Chris was a loving husband, a proud serviceman who always took care of his soldiers, a National Park Ranger who led search and rescue missions to save the lives of park visitors, and a friend to everyone who was fortunate to have met him.

Madam Speaker, please join me today in recognizing the life of 1st Sergeant Christopher Coffin.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. SCOTT H. PETERS

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 29, 2021

Mr. PETERS. Madam Speaker, on Roll Call No. 281 On Agreeing to the Amendment, I am mistakenly recorded as a NAY.

I would have voted YEA on Roll Call No. 281. I oppose the transfer of military equipment to local law enforcement departments.

TAIWAN NATIONAL DAY

HON. JOE WILSON

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 29, 2021

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Madam Speaker, I'm grateful for the opportunity to ac-

knowledge October 10th as Taiwan's 110th National Day, greatly appreciated as Double Ten Day. This year is special to me as the 40th birthday of my son, Julian Dusenbury Wilson.

Taiwan serves as a beacon of freedom and an indispensable strategic partner of the United States in the Indo-Pacific, and the special people-to-people relationships further enrich our lives every day. A few examples of these rewarding ties include:

Trade in U.S. goods and services with Taiwan was nearly \$104 billion in 2019.

Trade and investment with Taiwan support over 373,000 American jobs.

Taiwan is the seventh largest source of international students in the U.S., and

Taiwan is my state of South Carolina's tenth largest export market with billion-dollar investments in South Carolina industry creating jobs.

My lifelong appreciation of the people of Chinese heritage was inspired by my father, 1st Lt. Hugh deV. Wilson, U.S. Army Air Corps, 14th Air Force, with the Flying Tigers. He developed an affection for the people of China while serving to protect the citizens of Chengdu, Xi'an, and Kunming in 1944.

I am pleased that the United States and Taiwan remain close allies, and I would like to again wish the people of Taiwan a Happy Double Ten Day.

RECOGNIZING THE 75TH ANNIVERSARY OF AMVETS POST 114

HON. JACK BERGMAN

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 29, 2021

Mr. BERGMAN. Madam Speaker, it is my honor to recognize AMVETS Post 114 of Elk Rapids, Michigan, for its 75 years of service to Veterans, their families, and their local community. Through their tireless work, Post 114 has become an indispensable part of Northern Michigan.

As soldiers returned home from the battlefields of World War II, many recognized the need for a nationwide group advocating on behalf of our Veterans—in response, American Veterans (AMVETS) of World War II was founded on December 10, 1944. Shortly after, President Harry Truman and Congress officially chartered AMVETS in 1947. Throughout its 75 years of service, AMVETS Post 114 have worked tirelessly to support and advocate for meaningful policies on behalf of local servicemembers, Veterans, and their families. From scholarships for local students to organizing Military Funeral Honors, the efforts of Post 114 have assisted thousands of Michigan Veterans and ensured the people of Elk Rapids and Northern Michigan honor the service and sacrifice of our Veterans.

Madam Speaker, it's my honor to recognize AMVETS Post 114 for decades of successful support for the Veterans of Northern Michigan. Michiganders can take great pride in knowing

the First District is home to such dedicated citizens. On behalf of my constituents, I wish them all the best in their future endeavors.

THANKING MR. KEVIN HARRIS FOR HIS SERVICE TO THE HOUSE

HON. ELEANOR HOLMES NORTON

OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 29, 2021

Ms. NORTON. Madam Speaker, on his retirement in September 2021, I rise today to thank Kevin Harris for over 37 years of outstanding service to the House of Representatives as a distinguished wood finisher.

Kevin Harris first came to the Capitol as a 15-year-old to work on the grounds crew with the Architect of the Capitol on the Senate side. He was lucky enough to have an aunt who worked for the then Congressman Walter E. Fauntroy, who later hired him on the House side. He started working with the House restaurant system in 1984, which was eventually contracted out. He was able to secure a position with the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) Labor Room, now known as CAO, Office of Logistics & Support. Kevin worked for the logistics department for three years, where he remembers being mentored by Bobby Small, Lew Maiden and Steve Janifer, who showed him the ropes.

Later, it was determined that since he had gone to trade school, Kevin would be a good addition to the finishing shop and he made the move when a position opened. Back then, the finishing shop not only finished the furniture but also moved the furniture between offices. Some of his most memorable bosses were Mr. Kelleher, who hired him into the shop, Walter "Teenie" Woodburn and Robert Lee.

One of his most memorable pieces was a special gold leafing project he completed with the staff on a bookcase for Representative William Clay. He had learned this technique through special training on this intricate skill. Kevin recalls a table he finished for Speaker Tip O'Neill, a very special stripping technique using the "old style" to strip down the finish. The Speaker was most appreciative. Kevin was also among the staff who refurbished the entire House floor, stripping the chairs and seats in the House Chamber, caked with shellac from years of usage.

In his long career in the halls of Congress, Kevin has personally met five Speakers of the House—Speaker Tom Foley, Speaker John Boehner, Speaker Tip O'Neill, Speaker Jim Wright, and Speaker Paul Ryan. Kevin has also reflected on the many lifelong friendships he has made in his office, including Timothy "Tim" Magruder and Vincent Plowden, who all motivated each other on the job. He has also made special mention of his favorite and current manager, John Garcia, who came into the shop and really heard their concerns, made the necessary changes and motivated the crew. He felt that Mr. Garcia really cared

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about their conditions. Because of the encouragement of Mr. Garcia, he had a newfound desire to perform his job at a new level and credits Mr. Garcia for the changes in the finishing shop.

Kevin felt lucky to be able to attend the first Inauguration of President Barack Obama, an opportunity afforded him since the finishing shop worked behind the scenes on the stage preparation.

Another fond memory occurred in 2004 when an unexpected celebrity made an appearance on Capitol Hill—musical superstar Michael Jackson. He had been summoned to a hearing to call attention to the AIDS crisis. As he tells it, Kevin and some of his coworkers were standing outside near the Rayburn Building in anticipation of his arrival. They had almost given up when they saw his motorcade pull up right beside the wall near Rayburn. Michael Jackson got out of the car and walked directly toward Kevin, Tim Magruder and others, wearing his iconic glitter gloves and boots. Kevin was starstruck and barely able to speak, but Michael Jackson engaged them briefly, shook hands and then he was off. Coworkers later teased Kevin about being so moved in that moment.

Kevin has witnessed many different events in his 37-year career. With a heavy heart, he remembers being present on 9/11. He will never forget being outside and seeing the smoke from afar, which was the moment the Pentagon had been hit by a plane. But like others, he did not know the implication at the time of this terrorist attack and how it changed our lives forever. He was also present during the anthrax attack, when he and his crew were called in to clean all the furniture that was exposed to the anthrax.

Kevin was working when the earthquake hit Capitol Hill in 2011. He was in the office when the buildings, doors and floors started to sway. After the buildings were evacuated, he had to shelter on the corner for several hours until the building inspections were concluded. He was present when two Capitol Hill police officers were. And most recently, he was at work during the insurrection on January 6, 2021. So many memories, both good and bad, because of his long career with Congress.

In retirement, he plans to pursue some of his hobbies, like boxing on a punching bag, traveling abroad, catching up on movies, a particular interest, and volunteering with the homeless community. He will continue to attend the church in Baltimore where his cousin is the pastor, which he has attended since childhood. Kevin is looking forward to spending more time with his wife and daughter and including them in his retirement activities.

On behalf of the entire House community, we extend congratulations to Kevin Harris for his dedication and outstanding contributions to the House of Representatives. We wish him many wonderful years in fulfilling his retirement dreams.

PASSING OF MR. JOHN HENRY
LYLES, III

HON. MIKE JOHNSON

OF LOUISIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 29, 2021

Mr. JOHNSON of Louisiana. Madam Speaker, in honoring the late John Henry Lyles, III,

we recognize and celebrate his life well-lived yet cut far too short.

“Jay,” as he was affectionately called by friends, was a Louisianan through and through. He was born and raised in the beautiful town of Minden in Louisiana’s Fourth Congressional District. He later made his way down to Baton Rouge where he graduated from LSU and earned a Master’s degree in Public Administration. Jay was passionate about his alma mater, LSU, and especially its football program.

Jay was known for always dedicating himself to those around him and accomplishing what he set his mind to. He loved his family, and all who knew him can testify to his exceptional character, drive, and kindness. He had many roles: friend, family man, entrepreneur, marketing guru, political consultant, and accomplished writer, to name a few.

Louisiana is home to some of the most talented, most charitable, and most outstanding people in the nation. Jay’s deep love for the state and his willingness to serve those around him are what he will be remembered most for. He was a good friend of mine—and of countless many others.

Jay will be missed, but he will never be forgotten.

GLEN KELLER

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 29, 2021

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Glen Keller for his decades of service to the Colorado Westernaires organization.

For almost forty years, Glen has served as President of the Colorado Westernaires, a local non-profit which provides training in western riding, precision drills and horse care for local youth ranging from 9 to 19 years old. A lifelong resident of Colorado, Glen moved to Jefferson County in 1964. He started a law practice and in 1983 joined the Westernaires organization. During his decades of service, he has inspired and mentored thousands of young adults as they learn the values of the organization including leadership, self-respect and personal responsibility through horsemanship, western heritage and community belonging.

Previously, Glen served on the board of the National Western Stock Show and Rodeo which the Westernaires competes in every year.

In addition to his service to the Westernaires community, Glen is a loving husband and loving father. He has been married to his wife Liz for over 55 years, the proud father of two daughters, and a devoted grandfather to five grandchildren.

I have had the opportunity to meet with Glen and participate in Westernaires events on several occasions and I have been inspired by his contribution to the organization. I wish Glen all the best and send gratitude for his service to our community and to the State of Colorado.

RECOGNIZING THOMAS HARPER

HON. JIMMY PANETTA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 29, 2021

Mr. PANETTA. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor and recognize Thomas Harper, a Title 10 AGR Functional Area-59 qualified Major assigned to the Army National Guard G-5 as a Strategic Planner.

Mr. Harper began his service to our country at the age of 17 as an Infantryman in the Florida Army National Guard. He served 19 years in the Army at the tactical, operational, and strategic levels as a paratrooper, combat veteran, and qualified strategist. Mr. Harper served in units including infantry regiments, airborne special forces, the National Guard Bureau, the Department of the Army, the United States Special Operations Command, and the Office of the Secretary of Defense. He completed five operational tours in Afghanistan, Africa, and Central America.

Before returning to the Army National Guard G-5, Thomas Harper demonstrated his commitment to building and maintaining strong relationships between the Army and the legislative branch. Mr. Harper held the MILCON portfolio in the Readiness branch of the Programs Division at the Department of the Army’s Office of the Chief Legislative Liaison from 2018 to 2020. In his work, Mr. Harper worked closely with Members of Congress and interagency partners. He assisted Army Senior Leaders with preparation for Congressional hearings and traveled with Members and their staff, as well as Armed Services Committee professional staff members. Mr. Harper was also selected twice as the detail to the Department of Defense COVID-19 task force.

Mr. Harper’s achievements in his service to the United States have been recognized with countless awards. He is a two-time recipient of the Purple Heart Medal and the Bronze Star Medal for Valor. He received the French Cross of Military Valor at Division level (equivalent to the U.S. Silver Star) from the Ambassador of France for his combat actions in Afghanistan during December 2009. Mr. Harper is one of only seven Americans to receive this award since World War II. He has also been honored with the National Guard Association of the United States Patrick Henry Award, the National Guard Bureau’s Outstanding Performance Award, the Georgia Military College Outstanding Young Alumni Award, and the Georgia Military College George C. Marshall Award.

Madam Speaker, Thomas Harper is an outstanding Army officer and model citizen who has served with honor for nearly two decades. It is therefore fitting and proper that we honor him here today.

IN MEMORY OF ANN HANEY

HON. HAROLD ROGERS

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 29, 2021

Mr. ROGERS of Kentucky. Madam Speaker, I rise today with a heavy heart to honor the memory of my friend, Ann Haney, a longtime community leader in Pulaski County, Kentucky

and co-owner of Haney's Appledale Farm in Nancy, Kentucky.

Just a few weeks ago, we were celebrating the annual Kentucky Farm Bureau picnic on their popular family farm, and as always, Ann was busy entertaining guests and packing up homemade apple and peach pies for folks to take home. She was always a gracious host with shining southern hospitality and the stellar organizational skills to keep everything moving seamlessly behind the scenes. Ann helped carry on the legacy of Haney's Appledale Farm for many years, alongside her husband Don. Together, they celebrated 50 years of marriage with three children and three grandchildren.

Aside from her time on the family farm, Ann could often be found at the Pulaski County Public Library, placing books into the hands of our local children, and inspiring them with her love of reading. She retired in 2015 after dedicating 29 years as a community relations specialist at the library, where she also avidly raised funding to provide free books to local children through her role as past president of the Pulaski County Dolly Parton Imagination Library.

Ann was a passionate advocate for education, preserving our history and giving back to the community. As a board member of the Mill Springs National Battlefield Association, she helped preserve the historic Civil War land in Pulaski and Wayne counties that is now designated as a National Monument in the National Parks System. Thanks to her tireless efforts, countless people from around the country will learn about this key battle in southern Kentucky that impacted the foundation of our country.

Finally, Ann was also known for her love of family and the University of Kentucky Wildcats. She was past president of the UK National Alumni Association and served a six-year term on the University of Kentucky Board of Trustees. As we say in the Big Blue Nation, her blood ran true blue.

The sudden and unexpected loss of Ann Haney has been a shock to our entire community, and my wife, Cynthia, and I extend our deepest heartfelt sympathies to Don and the entire Haney family. We were blessed to know Ann and we are forever grateful for the difference she made in so many lives.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. KAT CAMMACK

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 29, 2021

Mr. CAMMACK. Madam Speaker, on roll call No. 297, I mistakenly voted NAY when I intended to vote YEA.

HONORING THE "WOMEN WHO SOAR" IN THE DENVER METRO COMMUNITY

HON. JASON CROW

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 29, 2021

Mr. CROW. Madam Speaker, it is my honor today to recognize the accomplishments of

Maria Bales, Heidi Ganahl, and Dr. Shauna Gulley who will be honored by the Northwest Douglas County Chamber & Economic Development Corporation as "Women Who Soar."

Each year, the Northwest Douglas County Chamber & Economic Development Corporation recognizes three women in the Denver Metro Community who inspire our community and are blazing the path for future generations.

Maria Bales has been recognized as a "Woman Who Soars" because of her strength in turning heartbreak into inspiration. In 2016, while a sophomore at Arapahoe High School, her son Nick Bales started Brought to Reality (BTR) to bring awareness to teen mental health and end the stigma surrounding mental illness. Tragically, on September 29, 2018, Nick took his own life. After her son's passing, Maria made it her mission to continue Nick's work and fight each day to spare other parents, siblings, and friends from feeling how her family did. As a survivor of incredible adversity in the face of the unthinkable, she used that same adversity to inspire and help others. That strength makes her truly deserving of such an honor.

Heidi Ganahl has been recognized as a "Woman Who Soars" because of her entrepreneurial success. She is the founder of the recently launched women's lifestyle brand SheFactor but is best known as the founder of Camp Bow Wow, where she turned a lifelong passion for dogs into the largest pet care franchise in the world. She's passionate about giving back and in 2013 founded the Fight Back Foundation, a charity to positively tackle the most pressing issues facing our kids today.

Dr. Shauna Gulley has been recognized as a "Woman Who Soars" because of her exemplary leadership and exceptional background, knowledge, expertise, and record of success in bettering our community. Dr. Gulley provides strategic direction to Centura Health in its mission to build whole person care and flourishing communities. Her work focuses on optimizing clinical quality and patient safety, building world-class clinical service lines, and promoting an agile, team-based culture at the forefront of all they do.

From overcoming incredible adversity to showcasing exemplary leadership in medicine and business, this year's recipients have made a lasting impact on those around them and in our community. It is leaders like these three women who will allow us to achieve a more prosperous and inclusive future and I congratulate them all on being recognized as "Women Who Soar."

IN RECOGNITION OF MARY ANN MORAN-SAVAKINUS FOR 30 YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE LACKAWANNA COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

HON. MATT CARTWRIGHT

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 29, 2021

Mr. CARTWRIGHT. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Mary Ann Moran-Savakinus for her 30 years of service to the Lackawanna County Historical Society. Mary Ann will be recognized on September 30, 2021.

Mary Ann, daughter of the late Francis Moran and Joann Schemel Moran, is an

Archbald, Pennsylvania native. She pursued her interest in history at Kutztown University, and as an undergraduate, she worked as a curatorial intern at the Anthracite Heritage Museum. After graduating with a bachelor's degree in anthropology, she was recruited by the Museum to catalogue their Hennemuth photo collection. Mary Ann also spent time in Iowa as an archaeological technician for American Resource Group as a member of the field crew.

In 1991, she returned to Northeastern Pennsylvania where she began working at the Lackawanna County Historical Society as the administrative assistant. Six years later, she was appointed the Executive Director of the Society. Under her thoughtful direction, the Society expanded its programming, education opportunities, and community partnerships.

One of the hallmarks of Mary Ann's tenure as Executive Director is her effort to connect the Society with the surrounding community and promote interest in local history. She has invited local artists to participate in Society events to create compelling programming such as the musical/historical production "Under the Lackawanna Moon". She also helped start the Museum as a Classroom program which allows local teachers to receive Act 48 credits for familiarizing themselves with local resources that are available to their students.

Mary Ann's most popular programs are tours of the City of Scranton, which bring hundreds of visitors into the heart of the city to learn about its history. The Historic Hill House Tour, the Places of Worship Tour, and the Scranton After Dark paranormal walking tour teach visitors about the diverse architecture of Scranton and the residents who called the city home.

Mary Ann's direction has also supported the financial growth of the Society, increasing fundraising efforts with the annual Taste of History event and the successful Capital Campaign to fund the restoration of the exterior of the Society headquarters at the Catlin House.

I am honored to join the Lackawanna Historical Society in recognizing Mary Ann's 30 years of dedicated and selfless service. Her vision, commitment, and passion have helped foster a love of and appreciation for local history in our communities, and she has created a legacy of innovative programming that will be enjoyed by generations to come. I thank her for her service to our community and wish her all the best.

RECOGNIZING TAIWAN'S NATIONAL DAY

HON. DON BACON

OF NEBRASKA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 29, 2021

Mr. BACON. Madam Speaker, I rise today to wish the people of Taiwan and Americans celebrating the upcoming Taiwan National Day on October 10th a Happy Double Ten Day.

In the decades preceding and following the Taiwan Relations Act of 1979, the United States and Taiwan built a strong relationship that cannot be broken—a bond born out of our shared values and cooperation with one another in times of crisis, and in times of advancement.

Taiwan has transformed itself into a model of democracy with a respect for human rights,

freedom of speech, rule of law, and a market economy. Americans share these core values with Taiwan—the foundation of our strong relationship. Taiwan is a multidimensional success story and has shown that democracy can work in China.

The United States and Taiwan have a long-standing and vibrant trade relationship. Taiwan is the United States' 9th largest goods trading partner. In 2020, two-way goods trade between the United States and Taiwan totaled \$90.9 billion while goods and services trade between the countries totaled \$106 billion the same year. Taiwan is one of the largest Asian markets for Nebraska's agricultural exports. Nebraskan companies have an abundant opportunity to expand their business and cooperation with Taiwan. I will continue to work with our friends in Taiwan to find areas where we can partner to our mutual benefit.

This is a day to celebrate, and to be optimistic. I ask my colleagues to join me in recommitting to a robust U.S.-Taiwan relationship, and in wishing Taiwan a Happy Double Ten Day.

COLLEYVILLE POLICE
DEPARTMENT

HON. BETH VAN DUYNE

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 29, 2021

Ms. VAN DUYNE. Madam Speaker, I'm here today to recognize North Texas' own Colleyville Police Department, which won two prestigious International Association of Chiefs of Police awards this year.

Colleyville is an amazing city in TX-24, and the brave men and women of their department brought down a worldwide sex trafficking website, saving a 13-year old girl in the process. This mission earned them the IACP's Sex Trafficking Case Award.

In the same year they went on to solve an international fraud ring stemming from Nigeria. These actions gave them the Elder Fraud Case Award.

The International Association of Chiefs of Police, which has over 31,000 members across 165 countries, hands out 15 awards each year to officers and agencies who exhibit leadership, excellence, and professionalism.

I am immensely proud to represent these officers in Texas' 24th District—they have not only made our community a safer place to live, but the entire world.

THANKING MR. BOBBY SMALL FOR
HIS SERVICE TO THE HOUSE

HON. ELEANOR HOLMES NORTON

OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 29, 2021

Ms. NORTON. Madam Speaker, for his retirement in September 2021, I rise today to thank Bobby Small for over 47 years of outstanding service to the House of Representatives.

Bobby grew up in the District of Columbia, where he was enrolled in an experimental program at School Without Walls. Following graduation, he worked in construction for J. W.

Bates & Son. It was through family members that he heard of an opportunity to work in Congress. He was hired by Ed Kelleher, and began work with the Labor Force, which eventually became the Logistics Group. Initially, the Clerk of the House oversaw this work, but when the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) was established, he began working for the CAO. Bobby's hands-on approach and rapport with the staff led to an Assistant Supervisor position. He would eventually become the Supervisor and will retire in a Manager's position with Logistics & Support, supervising up to 20 employees.

Some of his former bosses include Cosmo Quattrone, Jerry Bennett and Walt Edwards, to mention a few. Bobby remarked that these were some of his favorite bosses and credited Cosmo and Jerry for grooming him and helping him to navigate the Logistics world. He remarked that they always gave good advice, treated him fairly and mentored him.

Given his long House career, Mr. Small has witnessed and been involved in many events, notably his contribution during the October 17, 2001 "Response Project" related to the anthrax attack. All Members, committees and staff were able to be relocated to an alternate location, and Mr. Small and his team were among those responsible for all logistical aspects of this project. He and his team were commended for making it possible to ensure that everyone remained safe and that the legislative business of the House of Representatives continued uninterrupted.

Another big project that Bobby was involved with is the ongoing Cannon Renewal Project, which began in 2013. It is a 12-year project that he and the Logistics staff work on daily. While the oversight for this project remains with the Architect of the Capitol and the CAO Office Design and Move Services department, the Logistics group has an integral part to play in this multi-year renovation, moving and relocating furniture between offices.

After such a long career, Bobby has collected many fond memories of his time in Congress. Chief among them is meeting the Tuskegee Airmen when they were honored in the Rayburn Committee Room. He has said that the meeting with the late Representative John Lewis was one of the highlights of his career, noting what an impressive man he was and how moving it was seeing the Memory Wall in John Lewis's office showing the history of the Civil Rights Movement.

Years ago, Bobby met with a congressman from Cleveland, Ohio to discuss discrimination in Congress, making a case about diversity and highlighting a lack of opportunity in Congress. Bobby believes that following his meeting with the congressman, measures were taken to improve the House environment for diversity and inclusivity.

The list of people he has worked with is long and distinguished—too many to mention. He has known some of his coworkers for many years, including, Lewis Maiden for over 40 years, Kevin Allison for 35-plus years and Steven Janifer, recently retired, who he supervised and knew over his entire work career.

I have met Bobby on several occasions.

Bobby has lots of hobbies, including fishing, hunting and watching sports. He is known to have a bit of a green thumb, raising fruits and vegetables, an activity he shared with his dad on an acre of land. In retirement, he is looking forward to spending more time with his wife

and children and continuing to take occasional trips to the Caribbean, Hawaii and Hilton Head, South Carolina. When not traveling, he hopes to get involved in more volunteer work.

On behalf of the entire House community, we extend congratulations to Bobby Small for his many years of dedication and outstanding contributions to the House of Representatives. We wish him many wonderful years in fulfilling his retirement dreams.

CELEBRATING TWILIA MACKEY'S
105TH BIRTHDAY

HON. RODNEY DAVIS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 29, 2021

Mr. RODNEY DAVIS of Illinois. Madam Speaker, I rise today to wish Twilia Mackey a happy 105th birthday.

Twilia lives in Monticello, Illinois, and was born on October 2, 1916 to parents who spent their lives farming in the White Heath area of Piatt County.

Twilia's education began in a one room rural schoolhouse and she graduated from Monticello High School in 1936. She met Stanley Mackey while they both attended Centerville Methodist Church. They married in December 1936 and farmed together in the Cisco area until they retired in 1993. They were blessed with four children, John, Jean, Joyce, and Joe, and many grandchildren.

Twilia has been involved in many activities and organizations throughout the years including 4-H, PTA, and the United Methodist Women & Home Extension, now known as Home & Community Education. Locally, she is known for her award-winning quilting and homemade pies. When asked her secret to a long life, she simply says, "Just be happy every day."

Happy 105th birthday to Twilia, and may she enjoy her special day.

HONORING THE 150TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE FRIENDS ASSOCIATION FOR CHILDREN

HON. ABIGAIL DAVIS SPANBERGER

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 29, 2021

Ms. SPANBERGER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the FRIENDS Association for Children on their 150th anniversary of service to Central Virginia.

The FRIENDS Association for Children first began in 1871 as an orphanage in the historic Jackson Ward neighborhood of Richmond, Virginia. Today, it operates two multi-service licensed child development centers in the Richmond area, which offer exceptional care and education to children ages six weeks to 12 years of age in a safe, nurturing, and enriching environment. A broad array of services allows children to gain critical literacy and developmental skills needed to succeed in school and in life—including family support services, developmental childcare, youth development, music and performing arts, and health education. Through these programs, FRIENDS responds holistically to the needs of families,

prepares children to succeed in their academic and life goals, and helps children to achieve a greater understanding and appreciation of their community and the world around them.

For a century and a half, the FRIENDS Association for Children has touched countless lives through their mission to serve Virginia's children and families. I am grateful for the tireless and selfless work of the many volunteers and staff at FRIENDS who have provided vital, compassionate care to our children and families over the years. Their commitment is inspiring and deserving of commendation and celebration.

Madam Speaker, please join me in honoring the 150th anniversary of the FRIENDS Association for Children.

SENATE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Title IV of Senate Resolution 4, agreed to by the Senate of February 4, 1977, calls for establishment of a system for a computerized schedule of all meetings and hearings of Senate committees, subcommittees, joint committees, and committees of conference. This title requires all such committees to notify the Office of the Senate Daily Digest—designated by the Rules Committee—of the time, place and purpose of the meetings, when scheduled and any cancellations or changes in the meetings as they occur.

As an additional procedure along with the computerization of this information, the Office of the Senate Daily Digest will prepare this information for printing in the Extensions of Remarks section of the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on Monday and Wednesday of each week.

Meetings scheduled for Thursday, September 30, 2021 may be found in the Daily Digest of today's RECORD.

MEETINGS SCHEDULED

OCTOBER 5

9:30 a.m.

Committee on Armed Services

To hold hearings to examine the nominations of Gabriel Camarillo, of Texas, to be Under Secretary of the Army, Rachel Jacobson, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Army, and Alex Wagner, of the District of Columbia, and Andrew Philip Hunter, of Virginia, both to be an Assistant Secretary of the Air Force, all of the Department of Defense.

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9:45 a.m.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

Business meeting to consider the nominations of Brian Eddie Nelson, of California, to be Under Secretary for Terrorism and Financial Crimes, and Elizabeth Rosenberg, of Vermont, to be Assistant Secretary for Terrorist Financing, both of the Department of the Treasury, and Julia Ruth Gordon, of Maryland, David Uejio, of California, and Solomon Jeffrey Greene, of the District of Columbia, each to be an Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development; to be immediately followed by a hearing to examine Afghanistan's future, focusing on assessing the national security, humani-

tarian, and economic implications of the Taliban takeover.

SD-538

10 a.m.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

Subcommittee on Consumer Protection, Product Safety, and Data Security

To hold hearings to examine protecting kids online, focusing on testimony from a Facebook whistleblower.

SR-253

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

To hold hearings to examine and consider updates to the Mining Law of 1872.

SD-366

Committee on the Judiciary

To hold hearings to examine renewing and strengthening the Violence Against Women Act.

SD-226

2:30 p.m.

Committee on Foreign Relations

To hold hearings to examine the nominations of Jeffrey M. Hovenier, of Washington, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Kosovo, Michael J. Murphy, of New York, to be Ambassador to Bosnia and Herzegovina, and Julissa Reynoso Pantaleon, of New York, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Spain, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to the Principality of Andorra, all of the Department of State, and other pending nominations.

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10 a.m.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

To hold hearings to examine enhancing data security.

SR-253

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

Subcommittee on National Parks

To hold hearings to examine S. 336, to amend the Omnibus Parks and Public Lands Management Act of 1996 to reauthorize the Ohio & Erie National Heritage Canalway, S. 378, to reauthorize the Rivers of Steel National Heritage Area, the Lackawanna Valley National Heritage Area, the Delaware and Lehigh National Heritage Corridor, the Schuylkill River Valley National Heritage Area, and the Oil Region National Heritage Area, S. 511, to establish the Bronzeville-Black Metropolis National Heritage Area in the State of Illinois, S. 635, to reauthorize The Last Green Valley National Heritage Corridor and the Upper Housatonic Valley National Heritage Area, S. 654, to reauthorize the Blue Ridge National Heritage Area, S. 787, to amend the Atchafalaya National Heritage Area Act to extend the authority of the Secretary of the Interior to provide assistance to the local coordinating entity for the Atchafalaya National Heritage Area under that Act, S. 825, to establish the Southern Maryland National Heritage Area, S. 972, to reauthorize the Essex National Heritage Area, S. 990, to reauthorize the Northern Rio Grande National Heritage Area, S. 1004, to extend the authorization of the Mormon Pioneer National Heritage Area, to designate the Great Basin National Heritage Route in the State of Nevada as the "Great Basin National Heritage Area", to designate the Great Basin Heritage Route Partnership as the

"Great Basin Heritage Area Partnership", to extend the authorization of the Great Basin National Heritage Area, S. 1112, to amend the National Trails System Act to designate the Chisholm National Historic Trail and the Western National Historic Trail, S. 1224, to reauthorize, and increase the total funding cap for, the America's Agricultural Heritage Partnership, to redesignate the America's Agricultural Heritage Partnership as the "Silos & Smokestacks National Heritage Area", S. 1258, to extend the authorization of each of the National Coal Heritage Area and the Wheeling National Heritage Area in the State of West Virginia, S. 1284 and H.R. 2497, bills to establish the Amache National Historic Site in the State of Colorado as a Unit of the National Park System, S. 1318, to reauthorize the Yuma Crossing National Heritage Area, S. 1329, to amend the National Aviation Heritage Area Act to reauthorize the National Aviation Heritage Area, S. 1620, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey to the city of Eunice, Louisiana, certain Federal land in the State of Louisiana, S. 1643, to establish the Alabama Black Belt National Heritage Area, S. 1942, to standardize the designation of National Heritage Areas, S. 1954, to reauthorize the John H. Chafee Blackstone River Valley National Heritage Corridor, S. 2158, to extend the authorization for the Cape Cod National Seashore Advisory Commission, S. 2296, establish the Northern Neck National Heritage Area, S. 2438, to modify the boundary of the Cane River Creole National Historical Park in the State of Louisiana, S. 2441, to establish in the States of North Carolina and South Carolina the Southern Campaign of the Revolution National Heritage Corridor, S. 2482, to amend the Champlain Valley National Heritage Partnership Act of 2006 to reauthorize the Champlain Valley National Heritage Partnership, S. 2490, to establish the Blackwell School National Historic Site in Marfa, Texas, S. 2580, to direct the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture to make free National Parks and Federal Recreational Lands Passes available to members of the Armed Forces, S. 2648, to amend the Omnibus Public Land Management Act of 2009 to reauthorize the Kenai Mountains-Turnagain Arm National Heritage Area in the State of Alaska, and S. 2763, to extend the authorization for the MotorCities National Heritage Area in the State of Michigan.

SD-366

Committee on Environment and Public Works

To hold an oversight hearing to examine the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers emergency response to Hurricane Ida.

SD-406

Committee on the Judiciary

To hold hearings to examine the nominations of Lucy Haeran Koh, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, Jane M. Beckering, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Michigan, Shalina D. Kumar, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Michigan, Armando O. Bonilla, of Virginia, and Carolyn N. Lerner, of Maryland, both to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims, and Jonathan Kanter,

of Maryland, to be an Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice.

SD-226

10:15 a.m.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

Business meeting to consider S. 587, to amend the Inspector General Act of 1978 to provide that the President or certain agency heads may remove the Inspector General, or place an Inspector General on non-duty status, only if certain conditions are satisfied, S. 1794, to amend the Inspector General Act of 1978 to provide testimonial subpoena authority, H.R. 2662, to amend the Inspector General Act of 1978, S. 2875, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to establish the Cyber Incident Review Office in the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency of the Department of Homeland Security, an

original bill entitled, “Federal Information Security Modernization Act”, and the nominations of Cathy Ann Harris, of Maryland, to be a Member, and to be Chairman, and Tristan Lynn Leavitt, of Idaho, and Raymond A. Limon, of Nevada, both to be a Member, all of the Merit Systems Protection Board, Tovah R. Calderon, to be an Associate Judge of the District of Columbia Court of Appeals, and Kenia Seoane Lopez, Rupa Ranga Puttagunta, and Sean C. Staples, each to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia.

SD-342

2 p.m.

Committee on the Judiciary

To hold hearings to examine the John R. Lewis Voting Rights Advancement Act.

SD-G50

2:30 p.m.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

Subcommittee on Water and Power

To hold hearings to examine the status and management of drought in the western United States.

SD-366

3 p.m.

Committee on Rules and Administration

To hold an oversight hearing to examine Library of Congress modernization efforts.

SR-301

Committee on Veterans' Affairs

To hold hearings to examine pending nominations.

SR-418